

# Press Release



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## ***SCHOOL DAYS***

A new exhibit is currently on display in the Pioneer Heritage Center at Icelandic State Park. The exhibit, entitled "School Days," looks at the earlier times of North Dakota's educational system, through the activities of teachers and students in both rural and urban settings, from the 1880s to the 1920s. Included are wonderful photos of school life in a simpler time and school artifacts from the collection at the Pioneer Heritage Center.

Few institutions have had a greater influence than schools. The center of every community, the school and the schoolteacher were symbols of civilization. The teacher was expected to take a leading role in community activities and the schoolhouse was a gathering place for educational, social, and political activities.

"School Days" is on loan from the State Historical Society of North Dakota and will be on display through June 22. Icelandic State Park is located five miles west of Cavalier, North Dakota. For more information, contact the park at 701-265-4561 or email [isp@state.nd.us](mailto:isp@state.nd.us).

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